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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) DAVID M. SCHINDLER. (3) _____.

(2) Gregory Harper. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 25 November 2008.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Alff (US 5,451,869).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed a proposed amendment including a Rule 132 declaration with Mr. Harper (Req. #55,248). Explained why it does not appear that the Rule 132 declaration would overcome the prior art rejection. Additionally discussed applicant's claims and disclosure in view of the Alff reference. No agreement was reached, and further search and consideration is required.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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	/Patrick J Assouad/ Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2862
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